

## **Chapter 5 AUTOMOBILE GRAVEYARDS AND JUNKYARDS**

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Sec. 5-1. Definitions.

For the purposes of this chapter, the following words and phrases shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them by this section:

**Automobile graveyard.** Any lot or area which is exposed to the weather and upon which more than three (3) motor vehicles of any kind, without valid inspection stickers or current county decal, incapable of being operated are being located or found.

**Junk.** Old or scrap copper, brass, rope, rags, batteries, paper, trash, rubber, debris, waste, or junked, dismantled or wrecked automobiles, or parts thereof, iron, steel and other old or scrap ferrous or nonferrous material.

**Junkyard.** An establishment or place of business which is maintained, operated or used for storing, keeping, buying or selling junk, or for the maintenance or operation of an automobile graveyard. The term "junkyard" shall include garbage dumps and sanitary fills.

(5-14-73, § 1; P.C. Ord. No. 85-5)

### **Sec. 5-2. Permit required--Issuance upon submission of satisfactory plan.**

Every owner or operator of an automobile graveyard or junkyard shall apply to the zoning administrator for a permit authorizing the operation of such automobile graveyard or junkyard. The zoning administrator shall issue such permit upon the presentation by such owner or operator of a plan reasonably designed to meet the requirements of section 5-4 within six (6) months of the issuance of the permit. If it appears that because of the topography of the land, or in the case of the immaturity of the plantings, that complete screening within six (6) months cannot be accomplished, such permit shall nevertheless be issued if the proposed screening in the plan is reasonable and practicable under the circumstances. The zoning administrator may consult with the resident engineer of the state Department of Highways in respect to plans submitted under this chapter.

(5-14-73, § 9; P.C. Ord. No. 85-10)

### **Sec. 5-3. Same--After approval of a special use permit.**

Any person receiving approval by the board of supervisors for the operation of an automobile graveyard or junkyard under the provisions of chapter 17 shall obtain a permit under this chapter after said approval and before actual issuance of the special use permit.

(5-14-73, § 10; P.C. Ord. No. 85-5)

### **Sec. 5-4. Screening required.**

Automobile graveyards and junkyards must be completely screened on any side open to view from a public road by natural objects, plantings, fences or other appropriate means.

(5-14-73, § 8)

**Sec. 5-5. Violations.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to operate an automobile graveyard or junkyard without first obtaining a permit under the provisions of this chapter. It shall also be unlawful for a person, having been issued a permit under the provisions of this chapter, to fail to comply with the plan submitted with the application for such permit; provided, that in the case of noncompliance, such person shall be given thirty (30) days after the receipt of notice from the zoning administrator in which to correct any noncompliance for which he is cited by the zoning administrator.

(5-14-73, § 11; P.C. Ord. No. 85-10)